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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)			C	Docket No. (Optional) CSC-029RCE	
	In re Application of Hiroshi AKITA				
	Application Number Not Yet Assigned			Filed Concurrently Herewith	
	PROTECTIVE MEMBRANE-EQUIPPED COMPOSITE For: ELECTROLYTE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, AND FUEL CELL PROVIDED WITH THE SAME				
	Art Unit	1745	Exan	miner R. Alejandro	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.					
The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):					
One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))				\$	
x Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))				\$ 420.00	
Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))				\$	
Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))				<u> </u>	
Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))				\$	
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. X The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. X The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 12-0080 I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. I am the applicant/inventor. assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). attorney or agent of record. Registration Number x attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) April 16, 2004 Date (617) 227-7400 Telephone Number NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below					
Total of 1	forms are submitted.				

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Dated: April 16, 2004

Signature:

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